



# Texas Department of Transportation

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## Registration and Title Bulletin # 139-01

**TO:** All County Tax Assessor-Collectors

**SUBJECT:** Release Notes for RTS Version 4.2.2 and Fall 2001 Admin Table Distribution

### PURPOSE

Attached are the Release Notes for Version 4.2.2 of the Registration and Title System (RTS). The changes to the system were made necessary by provisions enacted by the 77<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. Statewide distribution is scheduled to begin October 8, 2001.

### DETAILS

RTS Version 4.2.2 contains the following items:

- Disabled Veteran and Disabled Person License Plates: The system has been expanded to include additional registration class codes for these plate types.
- Registration Class Code: Farm Truck Tractor is no longer linked with Farm Trk-More Than 1 Ton. A new registration class code and item code has been assigned.
- Classic Sticker Pattern: Classic and Classic Motorcycle sticker patterns have been updated to include 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007.
- New Special Plate Types: Six new special plate types can now be processed in the system. They include Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Special Olympics, Texans Conquer Cancer, YMCA, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Set for both Legion of Valor and Prisoner of War.
- Emissions Surcharge: 2.5% Sales Tax Emissions Surcharge and 10% Registration Emissions Surcharge may be processed through the RTS system and each category will display separately on the RTS receipt. A separate end of month mainframe report will be received for each category.
- For apportion registration, the 10% emissions surcharge will begin printing on the November apportion renewal notices. "SB005 \$\_\_\_\_\_" will print next to "Local Fees" attached. The amount shown on the billing notice payable to the county tax assessor-collector will include total fees due. Fees collected on the November renewals will post to the IRP Transmittal Inventory Report (7402) as account item code "REGISEMI" attached.
- Apportion transactions processed at the regional office which are not November or later expirations, will continue to be manually calculated, on both the individual billing notices and on the IRP Transmittal Report using the current work around procedures. In order to assist the counties, the regional offices will separate and label the billing notices that are included on Report 7402. Your office will continue to be provided with the amount to be entered in RTS Additional Collections. We anticipate the programming to be completed by December 1, 2001.

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**REQUIRED ACTION**

Prior to distribution of RTS Version 4.2.2 to your county, please read the attached documentation to familiarize yourself with the additions and updates. Please reproduce the attached documentation and distribute to personnel in your office as needed.

**DEPARTMENT ACTION**

The Information Resources Division (ISD) will distribute software revision. The system will be activated for your use on October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**VTR CONTACT PERSONS**

If you have any questions, please contact your local TxDOT Vehicle Titles and Registration Division Regional Office. Thank you.

Sincerely,



*for* Jerry L. Dike, Director  
Vehicle Titles and  
Registration Division

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Attachments

cc: VTR Administration